A. To my knowledge, it did not.

2 Q. Okay. Bentley Pharmaceuticals, 3 Incorporated, never had a fecha, did it?

6 simple reason that, probably, Bentley

4 A. I have no information about the fecha 5 in the name of Bentley Pharmaceuticals for the

7 Pharmaceuticals as Bentley Pharmaceuticals never

8 had the activity of producing pharmaceuticals.

9 Q. To your knowledge, Bentley
10 Pharmaceuticals never manufactured any
11 pharmaceutical product for Ethypharm, did it?

12 A. To my knowledge, the name of Bentley 13 Pharmaceuticals was not registered with the 14 Spanish authorities. It's not my knowledge. I 15 don't know.

The fecha is not something symbolic; 17 it's something real. You produce or you want to 18 produce so you ask the authorities to get the 19 fecha. They come, inspect you. If you don't 20 intend to produce, you don't need the fecha and 21 you would not obtain it.

Q. And it doesn't -- it wouldn't surprise

MR. STEWART: Okay. I'd like to have

2 marked as the next three exhibits three draft

3 agreements, more drafts. We'll get to the signed 4 documents very soon. The -- I'm sorry -- The

5 first is a document which begins with Bates number 6 BEL 006381.

7 (The reporter marked Exhibit 11.)

8 MR. STEWART: The next has Bates 9 number 6372.

10 (The reporter marked Exhibit 12.)

11 MR. STEWART: And that is Number --

12 THE REPORTER: 12.

13 MR. STEWART: -- 12?

14 And the third begins with Bates number.

153 -- 6371.

16 (The reporter marked Exhibit 13.)

17 BY MR. STEWART:

18 Q. Mr. Debregeas, I would like you to 19 look at these drafts and, if you would, tell me 20 whether you had — whether you recognize the 21 handwriting on any of these drafts.

22 A. I don't know. I don't know this

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1 you if I -- if you were to learn that Bentley

2 Pharmaceuticals did not have the fecha to

3 manufacture pharmaceutical products in Spain,

4 would it?

5 A. I don't - I don't see your point.

6 Q. Just to confirm, you have no -- you

7 have no knowledge as to whether Bentley

8 Pharmaceuticals ever obtained a fecha to

9 manufacture pharmaceutical products in Spain?

10 A. I have no -- no knowledge of that.

11 Q. And is it your testimony that as far

12 as you understand, Bentley Pharmaceuticals had no

13 facilities for manufacturing pharmaceutical

14 products?

15 A. Unless Bentley Pharmaceutical is 16 amalgamated with Belmac in which case Bentley 17 Pharmaceutical has a facility with a fecha called 18 Belmac.

Q. Is it fair to say that Bentley

20 Pharmaceuticals owned Laboratorios Belmac which

21 did have manufacturing facilities?

A. Sounds correct.

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1 handwriting. It's in Spanish.

Q. Do you know who prepared the 3 typewritten language on Exhibits 11, 12, and 13?

A. No idea.

5 Q. To your knowledge is this the first 6 time that you have seen these drafts?

7 A. These ones, yes. I've seen a lot of

8 them. I don't know if it's -- I mean, I don't

9 know who typed that. I don't know whose

10 handwriting it is. I think you could find, 11 probably, tens.

12 Q. I'm sorry?

13 A. You could find tens of these.

14 Q. We already have.

15 A. Probably.

16 Q. Now, you'll notice that at the

17 beginning of each of Exhibits 11, 12, and 13, 18 there is a space for the date.

19 A. Yeah, and it's September 1997.

20 Q. Yeah. To your memory, as of

21 September 1997, did Ethypharm have a signed

22 agreement with Laboratorios Belmac for the

5 (Pages 14 to 17)

1 manufacture of pharmaceutical products?

- A. For sure, there was at least one document which had been signed up until Article 4 No. 8 by Mr. Perez De Ayala. I think we saw it 5 yesterday.
- Q. Yes.
- 7 A. We didn't sign the -- the -- the pages 8 so it was -- I think it was signed by me all along 9 and signed by Mr. Perez De Ayala, Artícles 1 to 8 10 including 8.
- 11 Q. Well, you make specific reference to 12 Article 8.
- 13 A. No, no. No, no, no. I don't make 14 specific reference to Article 8. It's -- 1, 2, 3, 15 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were countersigned by --
- 16 Q. Ah.
- 17 A.— Perez De Ayala. And after 8— I 18 don't know how many articles there were but after 19 8, they were not — they were signed by me, not by 20 Mr. Perez De Ayala.
- 21 Q. Ah. Okay.
- 22 A. And I must say that we have a certain

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- 1 the contract comes after a certain time of working 2 together because you learn, working together, what 3 becomes important and what is less important.
- 4 Q. And when an agreement finally is 5 executed, the parties have the benefit of their 6 experience; is that fair?
- 7 MR. STEWART: Would -- Would you 8 repeat it, please.
- 9 THE REPORTER: "And when an agreement 10 finally is executed, the parties have the benefit 11 of their experience; is that fair?"
- 12 THE WITNESS: Let's say that you can
 13 have two sides in a contract, what is written and
 14 what is oral. What is written, we have had all
 15 that, and what is oral. In the U.S., you have
 16 easily contracts that take one hundred pages. In
 17 Europe we are used to much shorter contracts. We
 18 have been working with Belmac with bits of
 19 contracts adding to each other, and I must say
 20 that at the end of our relationship, we had a
 21 total, complete contract which permitted Belmac
 22 and Bentley to How do you say? Rescind the

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- 1 number of contracts which have been signed. I'd
- 2 say it's like building a wall, you know. Get
- 3 bricks, first one being -- being until Article 8,
- 4 and then another one, and then another one. And
- 5 almost the end, there were bits, parts of
- 6 contracts that were signed.
- Q. Was it a concern of yours to obtain a8 complete agreement between Laboratorios Belmac and
- 9 Ethypharm for the manufacture of pharmaceutical 10 products?
- 11 A. Yes, of course. It's always better to
- 12 have a contract which can make the reference. In
- 13 case of doubt, you go back to the contract, but,
- 14 apparently, these -- our colleagues in Spain and
- 15 in U.S.A. didn't see the problem the same way.
- 16 And I must say that vis-a-vis the Spanish
- 17 authorities, there were short contracts explaining
- 18 the mode of operation, the way we were working
- 19 together in order to justify the quality of our
- 20 productions and to justify that the fecha be
- 21 maintained.
- 22 But it's quite frequent in Europe that

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- 1 contract or terminate -- terminate the contract.
- 2 So without a contract, there was no possibility
- 3 for Bentley to terminate the contract. And we
- 4 received an official notification of termination.
- 5 MR. STEWART: All right. Let's turn
- 6 to the -- to the manufacturing agreement that was, 7 indeed, signed.
- 8 First, let's have marked, please, as the 9 next exhibit a fax cover sheet from Adolfo De 10 Basilio to Mr. Debregeas.
- 11 (The reporter marked Exhibit 14.)
- 12 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 13 MR. STEWART: This will be Exhibit 14?
- 14 THE REPORTER: Yes.
- 15 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 16 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
- 17 Ms. Abreu.)
- 18 BY MR. STEWART:
- 19 Q. Mr. Debregeas, do you recognize the 20 handwriting that appears on the cover sheet of
- 21 Exhibit on the first page of Exhibit 14?
- 22 A. Yes, it's my --

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1 Q. Okay.	1 002919. And that would be Exhibit 15?
2 A. – handwriting.	2 THE REPORTER: Yes.
3 Q. And what does it say?	3 (The reporter marked Exhibit 15.)
4 A. The document should go to RJ. RJ is	4 MR. STEWART: Okay.
5 Mrs. Rosaline Joannesse. And below is written	5 And then the next document is a document
6 "very important," "tres important."	6 which begins with the with the title, Carta de
7 Q. "Tres important."	7 Compromiso de Compra, Bates number EP 002921.
8 Why did this Why should this	8 THE REPORTER: 16.
9 document have gone to Rosaline Joannesse?	9 (The reporter marked Exhibit 16.)
10 A. Because Rosaline Joannesse was our,	10 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
11 say, internal lawyer. I don't know if the that	11 Ms. Abreu.)
12 exists. She was the head of legal department	12 MR. STEWART: Okay.
13 inside Ethypharm.	13 16. I may have to borrow yours. Yeah.
14 Q. Okay.	14 Okay.
15 A. And she's trilingual. I mean	15 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
16 Q. She was? I'm sorry?	16 Ms. Abreu.)
· •	17 MR. STEWART: Mr. Debregeas, let me
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18 English	18 know when you have finished reviewing Exhibits 15
19 Q. Ah.	19 and 16, please.
20 A and Spanish perfectly, the three of 21 them.	20 THE WITNESS: Okay. 21 BY MR. STEWART:
22 Q. Indispensable.	·
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Q. Before we get into that explanation,

2 what was your understanding of Adolfo Herrera's

3 position with Laboratorios Belmac?4 A. He replace Mr. Gonzalez.

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- 5 Q. Okay. And did you understand that his 6 title was director general?
- A. That's what is mentioned.
- 8 Q. Exhibit 15, the contrato de
- 9 fabricacion, was not signed by Ethypharm France, 10 was it?
- 11 A. It's signed by the -- the general
- 12 manager of the Spanish subsidiary of Ethypharm and
- 13 this representative is a PharmD registered with
- 14 the Spanish health ministry, the same as I've
- 15 always been with Ethypharm. I was what is called
- 16 the responsible person. That means that all the
- 17 relationship, all communication relating to
- 18 compliance, relating to marketing approval,
- 19 relating to inspections and so on, can be signed
- 20 only by what is called the responsible person; and
- 21 in France is called le pharmacien responsable.
- 22 That means that all the relationship in France and

1 system, but it's a different approach.

- 2 And this concept that only a
- 3 pharmacist or PharmD can be responsible vis-a-vis
- A the health ministers is true in France Crain
- 4 the health ministry is true in France, Spain,
- 5 Italy, Belgium, Holland; in the other European
- 6 countries, this person is called the qualified
- 7 person. That means that there is a certain number
- 8 of qualifications which must be fulfilled in order
- 9 to be the responsible person or the qualified
- 10 person. And Adolfo De Basilio is the qualified 11 person.
- 12 I don't remember if Mr. Adolfo Herrera
- 13 was the qualified person. Maybe. Maybe not. I
- 14 remember that -- No, I don't remember. I don't
- 15 know. Don't remember what is his education and I
- 16 don't remember if he is officially registered with
- 17 the -- he was officially registered with the
- 18 health ministry as the qualified person.
- 19 O. Thank you --
- 20 A. I'm sorry --
- 21 Q. -- for that explanation.
- 22 A. -- but it's a -- It's a bit different

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- 1 same -- Usually, all the relationship in Spain is
- 2 the same with the pharmaceutical authorities. The
- 3 Ministry of Health are in charge of one individual
- 4 who is who has special credentials and who is
- 5 accepted by the health ministry as the
- 6 representative of the company. Today, in
- 7 Ethypharm, the responsible person is Dr. Pascal
- 8 Oury. He's not the president. He's not the
- 9 director general. He's a member of the management
- 10 committee which is a request by the -- by the
- 11 law -- but he's the one representing Ethypharm for
- 12 all pharmaceutical and medical aspects. Gerard
- 13 Leduc who is the president and CEO doesn't sign
- 14 vis-a-vis the health ministry.
- 15 And the responsible person must be one
- 16 person in the top management so that he can argue
- 17 with the president or the CEO in case he feels
- 18 that there is a risk for health inside the company
- 19 or outside the company.
- 20 It's a -- I don't -- I don't -- I
- 21 don't think you have the same system in the U.S.
- 22 which doesn't mean that you don't have a good

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- 1 from country to country.
- 2 Q. Exhibit 15 does not mention Ethypharm
- 3 S.A. France, does it?
- 4 A. Of course.
- 5 Q. Where does it say that?
- 6 A. No, no. Of course, it does not.
- 7 Q. It does not?
- 8 A. And it mentioned Ethypharm is
- 9 registered with the Spanish FDA as owner, holder 10 of marketing approval.
- 11 Q. Okay. And --
- 12 A. And the holder of the marketing
- 13 approval is the one responsible vis-a-vis the
- 14 local health ministry for the products so it could
- 15 not be a foreign company having its operations
- 16 outside of Spain that could be responsible.
- 17 Varies are and to be oble to establish a popular
- 17 You're supposed to be able to catch the people,
- 18 put them in jail if need, so --
- 19 Q. And Exhibit 15 nowhere mentions
- 20 Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated, does it?
- 21 A. Of course. Logical.
- Q. Of course not, you mean?

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- A. Of course not. This document is 2 intended to be produced to the health ministry
- 3 according to me because it's extremely short.
- 4 It's the kind of document that we submit to the
- 5 authorities. What are the relationship between
- 6 the one giving the instruction, giving the orders,
- 7 placing the orders, and the one doing the
- 8 pharmaceutical production? The -- The authorities
- 9 must know in order to be able to evaluate the
- 10 responsibility, the liabilities, of the different
- 11 partners.
- O. Are you aware -- So it is your 12
- 13 testimony that the purpose of Exhibit 15 was a
- 14 document to be submitted to the Spanish Ministry
- 15 of Health?
- 16 A. That's what I imagined.
- Q. Okay. 17
- A. I cannot confirm that this is what it 18
- 19 is but I know that there is a need vis-a-vis the
- 20 health ministry of a contrato de fabricacion.
- Q. And are you aware of any memorandum,
- 22 any piece of correspondence that -- between --

- 1 which was the official date and that was canceled
- 2 in November 2001. That's why I have the
- 3 impression that this may be a document for
- 4 administrative reasons.
- 5 O. Well, let's --
- A. But -- But I cannot -- honestly tell 7 you more than that.
- O. Let me see if I can help you with
- 9 that. Turn, if you would, to -- There's an
- 10 English translation that appears at page 552.
- 11 Could you -- And I know that you read Spanish but
- 12 if you look at --A. I don't write it. I read it. 13
- 14 O. I understand.
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 O. But if you take a look at 552 or at
- 17 page 2920 -- I'm sorry. Yeah, 2920. Paragraph G.
- 18 And I will read --
- 19 A. Mm-hmm. Okav.
- 20 O. I will read what is written at 552 in
- 21 English.
- 22 A. Mm-hmm.

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- 1 internal to Ethypharm that says that the purpose
- 2 of Exhibit 15 is so that there is an official
- 3 document on file or to be submitted to the Spanish
- 4 Ministry of Health?
- A. I know what are the regulations in
- 6 Spain. These document might pretty well be what I 7 said.
- Q. But my question is: Is there anything
- 9 in the documentation at Ethypharm, internal, that
- 10 says that is the purpose of this document?
- 11 A. I have no idea. There may be 12 documents.
- Q. Are you aware of any letter to
- 14 Laboratorios Belmac or to Bentley which says that
- 15 the purpose of Exhibit 15 is to satisfy
- 16 requirements of -- official requirements of the
- 17 Spanish Ministry of Health?
- 18 A. I have no idea. The only point I see
- 19 is that this present agreement will have a
- 20 duration of two years. It was signed March 23rd,
- 21 2000, and I know that the commercial agreement we
- 22 had with Bentley/Belmac was canceled at a date

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- Q. (Reading) The present agreement shall
- 2 remain into effect for a period of two, number 2,
- 3 years. And it will be renewed for the same period
- 4 except any of the parties denounce in written
- 5 before the expiration date, noting -- notifying it
- 6 at least four months before.
- Without regard to the beauty of the
- 8 translation, have I read that correctly?
- A. Yeah. It's okay.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. Yeah.
- Q. And it's your understanding, is it 12
- 13 not, that this agreement was -- was canceled --
- 14 was canceled in -- sometime late November --
- 15 A. No, early.
- O. early November of 1991? 16
- A. (The witness nodded). 17
- O. Okay. And that would be providing --18
- 19 I believe we'll get to that. That was a -- a
- 20 notice of cancellation effective at the end of
- 21 March of 2002 --
- 22 A. Mm-hmm.

9 (Pages 30 to 33)

10 (Pages 34 to 37)

22 interrupting, you go ahead.

19 short break. It seemed like you were going to go

21 four minutes, five minutes? Or if -- If I'm

20 on to the document. Could we do that now just for

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21 time is 10:17:26.

(Mr. Bostwick replaced Mr. Grace.)

MR. STEWART: Okay.

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: On the record, The

Page 38 BY MR. STEWART: 1 French - French or European authorities. I think 1 2 Q. Mr. Debregeas, you mentioned a letter 2 she's probably -- she's probably a European 3 that was received early in 2001 providing notice 3 trademark attorney. 4 of cancellation. And let me have marked as the Q. And I -- I don't know the official 5 next exhibit a letter dated November 14th of 2001 5 licensure bodies. Who would -- Who would the --6 from Adolfo Herrera of Labora -- Laboratorios 6 Who would license her as a trademark attorney? A. The European authorities. 7 Belmac. 8 8 (The reporter marked Exhibit 17.) Q. Do you know what authority that would 9 THE REPORTER: 17. 9 be? 10 MR. STEWART: Okay. 10 A. I'd say, when you are in the U.S., the 11 THE WITNESS: Yes. 11 U.S. Patent Office, and we have in Europe the 12 BY MR. STEWART: 12 European Patent and Trademark Office. 13 13 Q. Okay. Q. Is this the letter that you were 14 referring to? 14 A. I think its headquarters are in 15 Alicante in -- in Spain. 15 A. Yes. 16 Q. Okay. Now, turning back to Exhibit 15 Q. Was it your practice to have Rosaline 16 17 and -- Well, did you review this agreement before 17 Joannesse review contracts? 18 it was signed? 18 A. Of course. 19 19 A. I don't remember. Q. Was it her responsibility from time to 20 THE REPORTER: I didn't hear you. 20 time to prepare contracts? 21 THE WITNESS: I -- I don't remember. 21 A. Yes. 22 THE REPORTER: Thank you. 22 Q. And especially if contracts were Page 39 Page 41 1 BY MR. STEWART: 1 important, would she review them before they were 2 Q. Rosaline Joannesse was the person that 2 signed? 3 Ethypharm relied on for -- internally -- relied on A. Yes, of course. 4 for legal matters inside the company; is that Q. Exhibit 15, can we agree, was an 5 right? 5 important contract? 6 A. It proved later to be important. A. Yes. Q. Was -- At the time did -- did -- Were 7 7 Q. What -- What is her education and 8 you - You don't recall reviewing Exhibit 15 8 legal background? A. She's a graduate in Political Sciences 9 before it was signed; is that right? 10 from the Paris institute, Socialite Politique. 10 A. I don't have this reminiscence. 11 She is a trademark attorney. She has legal 11 Q. Did you see the contract at any time 12 education although I don't think she obtained a 12 before it was signed? 13 degree in law but she has a number of years of 13 A. That's possible. 14 practice of contractual law inside the company. 14 Q. Would you expect that Rosaline 15 Joannesse would have seen this contract before it 15 Q. Okay. A. She left the company. I don't 16 16 was signed, Exhibit 15? 17 remember when but --17 A. That's possible. Q. Do you know whether she is licensed to 18 Q. Did, in fact, Rosaline Joannesse draft 19 practice law outside of the company? 19 Exhibit 15? 20 A. As a trademark attorney, yes. 20 A. I don't think so.

11 (Pages 38 to 41)

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A. No.

Q. Do you know who did?

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Q. Where does the license come from?

A. That's an official license from the

12 (Pages 42 to 45)

- 1 Exhibit 17 gave notice of Laboratorios Belmac's
- 2 intention not to renew all contracts between
- 3 Ethypharm and Laboratorios Belmac?
- A. "Carta de compromiso de compra." It's
- 5 not contrato de fabricacion so I think it refers
- 6 to carta de compromiso de compra -- de compra.
- 7 This is the Document No. 16. It refers to
- 8 Document No. 16.
- Q. My question is whether it was your 10 understanding that the intention of Laboratorios
- 11 Belmac Was the intention, to your
- 12 understanding, of Laboratorios Belmac to revoke
- 13 all of it agreements with Ethypharm as of March 23 14 of 2002?
- 15 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Asked and 16 answered.
- THE WITNESS: I read what is on
- 18 Exhibit 17 and I see that it refers to Exhibit 16.
- 19 BY MR. STEWART:
- 20 O. I understand that and what -- my
- 21 question goes beyond that. And so let me -- Let

After March 23 of 2002, did

2 Laboratorios Belmac continue to manufacture

Q. Which products did it manufacture?

A. Omeprazole, indometacina, piroxicam,

A. Aspirina. And probably other products

O. Okay. Now, we have seen in -- as of

Q. - March 23 of 2000 -- that there are

Well, documents until Document No. 21,

21 Laboratorios Belmac and Ethypharm Spain. Maybe

17 seven agreements between -- (To the interpreter)

18 Go ahead -- between Ethypharm France and

22 the documents you have here are different but

Q. Sorry -- March 23 of 2000 --

3 pharmaceutical products for Ethypharm? A. To my knowledge, yes.

22 me try -- Let me try it this way.

Q. And aspirina?

12 March 23 of 2002 --

A. Yeah.

A. Nnh-nnh.

19 Laboratorios Belmac; correct?

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10 too.

7 vincamina.

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- 1 those that I have in my hands are between
- 2 Ethypharm in Spain and Belmac in Spain.
- O. Yes. And there are seven of them; is 4 that right?
- 5 A. Are they the ones you have in front of 6 you?
- O. They're the ones that I have in front 8 of me and the ones that I think you have in front 9 of you, Exhibits 15 through 21.
- A. Right.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. Spain and Spain.
- O. Tell me all of the documents that you 13 14 are aware of that were signed between Ethypharm
- 15 and Bentley Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated.
- 16 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Vague.
- 17 Was the question "the documents"? The 18 question was documents.
- 19 MR. STEWART: Contracts. Do you want 20 me to restate?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yes, please.
- 22 MR. STEWART: Sure.

- BY MR. STEWART: 1
- 3 signed between Ethypharm and Bentley

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- A. I'm unable to tell you that. Keep in
- 7 November 10, 2005, so I don't have access to all
- 9 here as the -- the president of Ethypharm.
- I'd ask you to search your memory and
- 11 tell me if there is any document that you know of

- A. For sure, there are documents which
- 19 conversations, so as always in our relationship
- 20 with Belmac U.S.A., Bentley U.S.A., and there were
- 21 a lot of contracts, and -- between Jim Murphy and

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2 O. Tell me all of the contracts that were

4 Pharmaceuticals.

- 6 mind, I'm no more in the company since
- 8 those documents. I'm here as a witness. I'm not

- 12 that exists between Bentley Pharmaceuticals,
- 13 Incorporated, and -- that was signed -- any
- 14 contract that was signed between Bentley
- 15 Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated, and Ethypharm.
- 17 have been signed. Early to that, there are a lot
- 18 of oral agreements. There were a lot of

- 22 myself, Jim Murphy and my management team people.

13 (Pages 46 to 49)

14 (Pages 50 to 53)

22 Spain was just one part.

A. I don't have problems of memory but I

20 have so many things in my head, you know, after

21 almost 30 years managing that company - that

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22 Murphy, yeah.

O. But you -- you don't remember it; you

A. I remember Jim Murphy, the name of Jim

20 don't remember yourself; is that right?

- 1 Q. Do you remember whether it was Belmac 2 or Bentley that applied for the patent?
- 3 A. For me it's the same.
- 4 Q. I understand, but do you remember
- 5 whether it was Belmac or Bentley that applied?
- 6 A. But one thing that I see here is that
- 7 there was a knowledge of the patents of Ethypharm
- 8 relating to Omeprazole in the Document No. 15.
- 9 It's mentioned, microgranules of Omeprazole 10 according to Patent No. 9,270,249.
- 11 Q. You haven't answered -- my -- my 12 question, though.
- 13 A. No, no.
- 14 Q. Do you remember whether the applicant 15 was Belmac or Bentley?
- 16 A. No, I don't know.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Honestly, I don't know. I remember
- 19 that it was communicated officially by Mr. James 20 Murphy.
- 21 Q. And, Mr. Murphy, of course, was 22 president of Laboratorios Belmac as well as

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- A. No, it's not my signature but there is
- 3 authorization --
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. so signed by somebody who was 6 permitted to sign for me.
- O. Do you know who that was?

2 "PO." That means per order with the

- 8 A. No, but the other signature is Gerard
- 9 Leduc, my partner, so authentification is 10 sufficient, I would say.
- 11 Q. And you -- you were aware of this 12 letter when it went out; is that fair?
- 13 A. Yes, because Document 24 is signed by 14 me confirming the meeting so I --
- 15 Q. And there was a letter from -- a
- 16 letter dated -- a letter dated February 6, 2002.
- 17 This is a copy which appears to be -- Well, it
- 18 was -- has Adolfo Herrera's name on the bottom.
- 19 A. Mm-hmm.
- 20 Q. Did you -- Did you receive a signed
- 21 letter from Adolfo Herrera?
- MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to the form.

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- 1 president of Bentley?
- 2 A. I think I think it's no problem to 3 find who filed and to whose benefit.
- 4 THE REPORTER: 22.
- 5 (The reporter marked Exhibit 22.)
- 6 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
- 7 Ms. Abreu.)
- 8 MR. BOSTWICK: So this will be 23. Is
- 9 that ---
- 10 THE REPORTER: 23, yes.
- 11 MR. STEWART: One more.
- 12 MS. ABRUE: 23.
- 13 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 14 (The reporter marked Exhibit 23.)
- 15 MS. ABRUE: 24.
- 16 (The reporter marked Exhibit 24.)
- 17 BY MR. STEWART:
- 18 Q. I'm going to ask you, Mr. Debregeas, 19 to refer to Exhibit 22.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. All right. And is that a Does
- 22 that -- Does Exhibit 22 bear your signature?

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- THE WITNESS: I don't know but it 2 seems obvious in the sense that I replied to him
- 3 February 11 -- February 1st for Document No. 22,
- 4 February 6th for No. 23, and February 11 for
- 5 No. 24 so it seems to be sequentially correct.
- 6 MR. STEWART: Just give me one moment 7 here.
- 8 BY MR. STEWART:
- 9 Q. We don't seem to If you refer,
- 10 please, to Exhibit 22, in the first sentence, it
- 11 says, We have received through Mr. Adolfo De
- 12 Basilio copy of your letter dated January 2, 2002
- 13 addressed to our subsidiary, Ethypharm S.A., in
- 14 Spain.
- 15 Have I read that correctly?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Do you recall the contents of that
- 18 letter of January 2, 2002?
- 19 MR. STEWART: We don't -- I don't seem
- 20 to have a copy of that.
- 21 THE WITNESS: You don't have a copy of
- 22 it?

15 (Pages 54 to 57)

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1 MR. STEWART: Okay.	1 reminiscence that I attended a meeting with Adolfo
2 THE WITNESS: No	2 Herrera around these days. For sure, Adolfo
3 MR. STEWART: Okay.	3 Herrera and one of his colleagues came to
4 THE WITNESS: but seems obvious.	4 St. Cloud.
5 BY MR. STEWART:	5 Q. And was Do you recall that one of
6 Q. Okay. Well, what was the purpose of	6 the that the colleague that Mr. Herrera came
7 the of the meeting that was agreed to?	7 with was a Fernan a Fernando Dr. Fernando
8 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to form.	8 Berenguer, also Fernando Berenguer Zuniga?
9 THE WITNESS: I imagine it may have	9 A. Probably. I don't know.
10 been in order to define how their clients and our	10 Q: Does that Does that Does that
11 clients could be taken care of, countering that	11 sound familiar? No?
12 these clients were having products on the market,	12 A. No. No, not specifically but
13 were needing the supplies, and so how to handle	13 Q. Okay.
14 this situation without harming our clients and the	14 A maybe, you know.
15 ultimate clients who are the consumers of	15 Q. Do you
16 pharmaceutical products.	16 A. He was not alone.
17. BY MR. STEWART:	17 Q. He was not alone:
18 Q. Did you attend the Well, let me	18 Do you recall ever meeting a Fernando
19 withdraw that.	19 Berenguer?
There in fact was a meeting held on	20 A. I was meeting about one of the people
21 February 21 of 2002; is that correct?	21 a week.
22 A. Oh, yeah, probably.	22 Q. I understand.
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1 Q. Okay.	1 A. So So, apparently, he was in that
2 A. You know, I don't have any of the	2 meeting so I must have met him.
3 documents or things like that. You know, keep in	3 Q. All right. In any event, what you
4 mind, I'm officially a retired man	4 what you remember is a meeting where Herrera was
5 Q. I understand.	5 present, someone else was present on behalf of
6 A but seeing that the meeting was	6 Laboratorios Belmac. And who was present on
7 organized in such a way, confirmed by me, and	7 behalf of Ethypharm?
8 thought, so it's clear that it took place.	8 A. On a logical point of view, there
9 Q. Did you attend that meeting?	9 should have been, apart from myself; Gerard Leduc,
10 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection.	10 my partner; normally, Rosaline Joannesse; most
11 MR. STEWART: Basis?	11 likely a lawyer. And I don't know if I remember
12 MR. BOSTWICK: I'm not sure we've	12 well but I think it might have been Mr. Lawrence
13 established the foundation in his mind that he	13 Meyer.
14 recalls the specific meeting you're talking about.	14 Q. And that meeting was in St. Cloud?
15 He He says that he thinks a meeting had taken	15 A. That meeting was in St. Cloud.
16 place but I I don't	16 Q. Tell me what happened at that meeting.
17 MR. STEWART: I'll put it very as	17 A. I think that one of the this
18 simply as I can.	18 meeting or another meeting in this time area with
19 BY MR. STEWART:	19 these people I think that we reminded
Q. Did you attend a meeting with Adolfo	20 Mr. Herrera that he was having some
21 Herrera on February 21 of 2002?	21 responsibilities - responsibilities that were
22 A. I would assume it would be a	22 transferred to him by his headquarters in the U.S.

16 (Pages 58 to 61)

1 as far as — it's a U.S. company even if its the
2 Spanish operations. And I think that I asked
3 Mr. Lawrence Meyer to explain what the situation
4 was seen at a global point of view. And my
5 recollection is that Mr. Herrera asked for a break
6 in order to call Mr. Murphy, so we left him alone
7 with his colleague in the meeting room, gave him a
8 telephone but there is always a telephone in
9 there, the meeting room, so that he could review
10 the points for — don't — don't remember what he
11 said. We are — We were not attending while he
12 was calling.

- 13 Q. So Mr. Murphy was not at that meeting?
- 14 A. According to me, was not at that 15 meeting; according to me, he could have reached by 16 phone and was reached by phone by Mr. Herrera.
- 17 Q. What were the points that had been 18 discussed before the telephone call that you 19 believe Mr. Herrera made to Mr. Murphy?
- A. I'd say continuity of supply of the21 clients. We probably explained to these gentlemen22 the fact that we were very surprised by what

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- 1 Laboratorios Belmac's facility in Zaragoza?
- 2 MR. BOSTWICK: If he recalls.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Well, I'll just say, if
- 4 Belmac was to continue supplying its needs, the
- 5 needs of its clients, the needs of our clients,
- 6 they needed the machinery but, obviously, if it
- 7 was to supply their needs, the needs of their
- 8 clients and the needs of our client, excluding us
- 9 from our property, excluding us from our know-how,
- 10 technology, and so on, that probably requested
- 11 another type of action. That means potentially
- 12 removal and potentially the reason why we are here 13 today.
- 14 BY MR. STEWART:
- 15 Q. Tell me what was said between you and 16 Mr. Herrera or any of the other people in 17 attendance at the meeting regarding Ethypharm's 18 machinery.
- 19 A. I think I just told you. If we 20 proceed with the agreement which had just bean 21 canceled in November -- You need the machinery. 22 You need technology. You need all what we

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- 1 con -- we considered might be patent 2 infringements.
- 3 I probably expressed that I was 4 extremely shocked.
- 5 O. What else?
- 6 A. I think it's already a lot.
- Q. No, but I have to ask you to to be
- 8 as complete as your memory will allow.
- 9 A. Yeah. I think my memory's not too bad 10 this time. Ah?
- 11 Q. So you talked about continuity of 12 supply with customers. You expressed your 13 surprise at what you believed were infringements 14 of Ethypharm patents. Anything else?
- 15 A. Yeah, and would say a kind of breach 16 of law, of business law.
- 17 Q. What was the breach of -- I with -- 18I --
- 19 A. No, no, I think it's too deep.
- 20 O. I -- I withdraw that.
- Was anything said with regard to the 22 removal of Ethypharm machinery from Labora --

- Page 65 1 brought. If you don't proceed, we have to take
- 2 our machinery, put it somewhere else, in order to 3 be able to supply our clients.
- 4 Q. Okay. And what was the response by
- 5 Mr. Herrera or others?
- 6 A. I think he had to call Mr. Murphy but 7 he did.
- 8 O. And then happened?
- 9 A. And then they left.
- 10 Q. So -- So did they give you a response?
- 11 A. I -- Well, I don't remember if I
- 12 stayed all along that meeting -- I think so but --
- 13 No, we got some news afterwards, you know.
- 14 They They had to That was a very important 15 decision for Bentley/Belmac, Ethypharm.
- 16 O. What was a very important decision?
- 17 A. Breaching a big agreement, potentially 18 infringing patents. I think it's a very big 19 decision.
- Q. Did you say breaching the agreement, 21 breaching an agreement? Is that what you said?
- 22 A. Yes.

17 (Pages 62 to 65)

- 1 Q. What agreement did it breach? What 2 agreement did Laboratorios Belmac breach, or 3 Bentley breach?
- A. They had the agreement with us saying 5 that all the technology, know-how, was our 6 property, was in their hands in order to satisfy 7 the clients, so this is a very big breach of -- of 8 agreement.
- 9 Q. So you believe that they breached an 10 agreement with regard to the use of Ethypharm's 11 technology?
- 12 A. Let's say I feel -- I don't know what 13 the opinion of the lawyer is but I feel that we 14 are now discussing problems which are -- which go 15 beyond the testimony.
- 16 Q. Well, see, I just --
- 17 A. Keep in mind, I'm I'm a retired 18 executive.
- 19 Q. I understand -- I was -- No -- but 20 I -- You said -- You were the one who said "breach 21 of the agreement."
- 22 A. Yeah.

BY MR. STEWART:

- 2 Q. And, therefore, what is -- what is 3 your answer to my question?
- 4 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Asked and 5 answered.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I have already answered 7 one, two, three, four times. I'm sorry. But -- 8 Can you please repeat your question. I'm sorry
- 9 but -10 MR, STEWART: Yeah.
- 11 BY MR. STEWART:
- 12 Q. Did you regard Do Do you regard 13 Laboratorios Belmac's notice of canceling the 14 purchase agreement to be a breach of that 15 agreement?
- MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. That calls 17 specifically for a legal conclusion and he's given 18 you a factual answer. He's that's directly on 19 point. He specifically he specifically 20 MR. STEWART: All he's All he's
- 21 done is, he's directed my attention to a 22 particular document. And I'm just asking whether

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- Q. And I want to make clear or to make 2 sure I -- I understand that by sending notice of 3 termination of the written agreement of March 23, 4 2000, you don't regard that act as a breach -- do 5 you?
- 6 MR. BOSTWICK: Well, I -- I'm going to 7 object to the extent it calls for a legal 8 conclusion.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 10 MR. STEWART: Well, I'm asking
- 11 whether -- whether the -- simply --
- 12 MR. BOSTWICK: Just get it translated.
- 13 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 14 MR. BOSTWICK: That's my only
- 15 objection.
- THE WITNESS: The letter from Belmac
- 17 mentions "carta de compromiso de compra," concerns
- 18 only one document which is No. 16. This is just
- 19 one part of the agreement of the contracts that we
- 20 have -- we had with your -- with that group
- 21 limited to Document 16.
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- 1 he whether he, as the as the former 2 president and chairman and a 42.5 percent 3 shareholder —
- 4 THE WITNESS: Sorry. Go ahead. Go 5 ahead.
- 6 MR. STEWART: Whether you consider the 7 refusal to extend the purchase agreement to be a 8 breach.
- 9 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. He 10 specifically -- That specifically calls for a 11 legal conclusion.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I think I'm -- I'm
 13 incompetent to reply to that as a -- on the legal
 14 point of view. On a business point of view, I was
 15 awfully shocked.
- 16 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 17 THE WITNESS: Okay?
- 18 MR. STEWART: I'll take "awfully
- 19 shocked" as the -- as the answer to that.
- 20 BY MR. STEWART:
- 21 Q. At the meeting At the meeting on 22 February 21, 2002, did you or Mr. Leduc or

18 (Pages 66 to 69)

1 Mr. Meyer --

- 2 THE INTERPRETER: Oh.
- 3 (The interpretation proceeded).
- 4 BY MR. STEWART:
- 5 Q. threaten to sue Bentley?
- 6 A. Oh, clearly not. We are -- We were
- 7 faced with a problem so we had to solve it as
- 8 business people first. It's only, ultimately, if
- 9 we can't find a solution but at that time I would
- 10 say that suing -- chancy -- that we would have
- 11 thought of suing -- were not exceeding 5 percent,
- 12 you know. We were -- We considered that we should
- 13 be able, among adults and a responsible business
- 14 men, to solve the -- the problems as we had always
- 15 done in the past.
- 16 1997, we threatened to get out of the
- 17 Belmac facility because they were not respecting
- 18 the Good Manufacturing Practice. I addressed this
- 19 problem directly to my colleague, Jim Murphy.
- 20 While we did not completely agree, finally, we
- 21 agree. Everything was corrected. And we were
- 22 happy again.

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A. -- We -- We don't have feelings or

- 2 anything like that. We are here to work.
- 3 Q. Do you have a memory of her becoming

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- 4 upset and leaving the meeting?
- 5 A. I have no such specific souvenir but
- 6 keep in mind, we are Mediterranean people so we
- 7 express a lot, we move, and it doesn't mean that 8 we are --
- 9 Q. So it's -- Is it your testimony it's 10 possible but you don't remember?
- A. It's possible and I don't remember,
- 12 honestly --
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. -- but sometimes you can see me upset,
- 15 too. Not here but --
- 16 Q. When You You You have a
- 17 memory of meeting with Adolf -- with Adolfo
- 18 Herrera on on or about February 21 of 2002.
- 19 Did you have a meeting with him at any other time?
- 20 MR. BOSTWICK: Objecting to form and
- 21 timeframe.
- THE WITNESS: Well, the meeting took

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- 1 You know, it's -- it happens normally
- 2 in business.
- 3 Q. So in that -- at that meeting that
- 4 there -- you have no memory of anyone threatening
- 5 to sue Bentley; is that your testimony?
- 6 A. No, I --
- 7 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to form.
- 8 THE WITNESS: No, I would never accept
- 9 any of my people to make a threat to a business 10 partner.
- 11 BY MR. STEWART:
- 12 Q. Okay. At that meeting of February 21, 13 did Rosaline Joannesse become upset and leave the 14 meeting?
- 15 A. Everything is possible, you know. I
- 16 don't -- I don't remember exactly all the
- 17 specifics. I remember what was the -- the logic
- 18 for this meeting, that we tried to find solution.
- 19 Did somebody upset her? That's possible but, you
- 20 know, we are like soldiers, you know. We -- We
- 21 don't --
- 22 Q. Okay.

1 place in February 2002.

- 2 MR. STEWART: 2002.
- 3 BY MR. STEWART:
- 4 O. Did I say 2001?
- 5 A. Yeah.
- 6 O. I -- I beg your pardon. I meant 2001.
- 7 A. It's not very important. I met him
- 8 several times for sure but --
- 9 O. Where did you meet him?
- 10 A. In Madrid, somewhere else. You know,
- 11 I have been for years flying. I'd say maybe 20
- 12 times 20 percent of my time, 25 percent of my
- 13 time, you know, so I'm -- I'm among the top 2,000
- 14 clients of Air France, you know, so it means it's
- 15 not my second house but --
- 16 Q. So you met him. You have a memory of
- 17 meeting him in Madrid and in St. Cloud?
- 18 A. Maybe somewhere else.
- 19 Q. Would you turn, please, to Exhibit 1,
- 20 the complaint.
- 21 A. Pardon.
- 22 O. It's somewhere at the bottom.

19 (Pages 70 to 73)

Okay. Take a look, please, at 2 paragraph 102 on page 23 of the complaint. I'm 3 going to read paragraph 102 and then I have a 4 question.

5 (Reading) At this February 21, 2002
6 meeting, Ethypharm repeated a previously expressed
7 concern that Bentley and its agent, Belmac S.A.,
8 were damaging Ethypharm by stealing its core
9 technologies, know-how, trade secrets, and
10 customer base relating to Ethypharm's Omeprazole

10 customer base relating to Ethypharm's Omeprazole 11 product. Ethypharm also insisted that Bentley and 12 its agent, Belmac S.A., return Ethypharm's

13 machinery. Finally, Ethypharm representatives, 14 including U.S. counsel, stated that under the

14 including U.S. counsel, stated that under the 15 circumstances, it appeared that in order to

16 protect its valuable assets, Ethypharm would be

17 forced to bring a lawsuit against Bentley in the 18 United States.

19 Have I read that correctly, sir?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. Okay. Now, is it your testimony that 22 in fact there was no threat that Ethypharm would Page 76

1 problem — his mother company behaving in 2 disagreement with the law. Personally, I don't

3 know the U.S. law. Lawrence Meyer, Mr. Meyer,

4 knows it. And that was essential to having that

5 meeting, a lawyer knowing the law that was

6 applicable between a U.S. company, its branch in

7 Spain, a French company, its branch in Spain. We

8 were really in front of big international problem.

9 And Mr. Herrera understood it. That's why he 10 called his boss, Mr. Murphy.

11 Q. Because Ethypharm said that it would 12 be forced to bring a lawsuit against --

13 A. No.

14 Q. -- Bentley in the United States?

15 A. Ethypharm didn't say that. Ethypharm 16 said, Hey, Mr. Herrera. You're not the number one 17 of the group. The number one of the group, of 18 your group, is somewhere else and may be involved, 19 you know. I was number one of my group. I had my 20 number two, Mr. Leduc. We felt that it was 21 important that Mr. Herrera get the opinion of his 22 boss.

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1 be forced to bring a lawsuit against Bentley in

2 the United States? Does that remain your

3 testimony?

4 A. Ethypharm de la fine (phonetic) should

5 be read: Ethypharm would be forced by Bentley's

6 behavior to bring a lawsuit.

7 Q. Do you --

8 A. So the threat is coming from Bentley,

9 not from Ethypharm.

10 O. Do you --

11 A. We are the victim.

12 Q. Do you remember at that meeting -- Is

13 it - Is it your testimony now that at that

14 meeting Ethypharm said that it would be forced to

15 bring a lawsuit against Bentley in the United

16 States?

17 A. I think that what may have been said

18 is that we weren't --

19 Q. I'm asking you for your memory.

20 A. Yeah, but it's my memory. Yeah? That

21 probably we explained to Mr. Herrera that this was 22 not only a problem in Spain but it was a

20 (Pages 74 to 77)

1 O. You told him to call his boss?

2 A. No. We said --

3 Q. Oh.

4 A. -- it might be wise. We didn't say --

5 Q. You suggested that it might be wise?

6 A. I think we talked to him that it

7 was -- the situation was too complex for him.

8 Q. Let me read the last sentence here:

9 Finally, Ethypharm representatives, including U.S.

10 counsel, stated that under the circumstances, it

11 appeared that in order to protect its valuable

12 assets, Ethypharm would be forced to bring a

13 lawsuit against Bentley in the United States.

14 Is this sentence correct or is it not?

15 Yes or no.

16 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to form.

17 THE WITNESS: Yes, is correct for me.

18 MR. STEWART: I'm sorry?

19 THE WITNESS: It's correct for me.

20 MR. STEWART: Okay. I understand from

21 our videographer that we have only a -- a few

22 minutes left in the tape and this would be a good

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Page 78 1 time to take a break.

- 2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This ends Tape No. 3 1 of Volume II of the Debregeas deposition. The
- 4 time is 11:25:09. Off the record.
- 5 (Recess.)
- 6 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: On the record with
- 7 Tape No. 2 of Volume II of the testimony of
- 8 Mr. Patrice Debregeas in the matter of Ethypharm
- 9 versus Bentley Pharmaceuticals. The date is
- 10 July 11th, 2006. The time is 12:02:34.
- 11 MR. STEWART: Like our stenographer to
- 12 mark as the next exhibit a letter dated
- 13 November 14th, 2001 from Mr. Adolfo Herrera to
- 14 Adolfo De Basilio.
- 15 THE REPORTER: 25.
- 16 (The reporter marked Exhibit 25.)
- 17 BY MR. STEWART:
- 18 O. Mr. Debregeas, have you had an
- 19 opportunity to read Exhibit 25?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And can we agree that this is the
- 22 letter that Mr. Herrera wrote --

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- 1 account the current circumstances -- hyphen --
- 2 which are different than those that motivated the
- 3 2000 contract hyphen the needs of
- 4 Laboratorios Ethypharm S.A. may be fully
- 5 satisfied.
- 6 Have I read that translation
- 7 correctly?
- 8 A. Yes.
- Q. Was a new manufacturing contract ever
- 10 signed between Ethypharm S.A. and Laboratorios
- 11 Belmac S.A.?
- 12 A. I don't think so.
- 13 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
- 14 Ms. Abreu).
- MR. STEWART: Like to mark as the next
- 16 exhibit a -- an email from Rosaline Joannesse
- 17 dated March 21, 2002.
- 18 THE REPORTER: 26.
- 19 (The reporter marked Exhibit 26.)
- 20 BY MR. STEWART:
- 21 Q. Mr. Debregeas, you are a -- are a
- 22 noted recipient of this email from Rosaline

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- 1 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Form.
- 2 BY MR. STEWART:
- 3 O. -- to a Mr. De Basilio --
- 4 A. Oui. Yes.
- 5 Q. -- term -- yeah -- terminating the
- 6 manufacturing contract identified as Exhibit 15 --
- 7 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to form.
- 8 BY MR. STEWART:
- 9 Q. -- as of March 23, 2002?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 O. Okay. Did you see a copy of this
- 12 letter on or about November 14th of 2001?
- 13 A. Most likely, yes.
- 14 Q. In -- At the bottom of Mr. Herrera's
- 15 letter, and I'm going to read the English
- 16 translation at Document 008365.
- 17 (Reading) Since the manufacturing
- 18 contract of Omeprazole microgranules of March 23,
- 19 2000 will be canceled on March 23, 2002, I am
- 20 communicating that as of now we are completely
- 21 available to negotiate with you a new
- 22 manufacturing contract in which, taking into

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- 1 Joannesse; and in the email, she says, Please find 2 attached anticipated copy by email of Mr. Leduc's
- 3 letter and of your revised proposal.
- 4 And have I read that sentence
- 5 correctly?
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. Can you tell me what the
- 8 attachments are, what the documents are, that
- 9 have that are referenced in Miss Joannesse's 10 email?
- 11 A. I'm sorry. I have to explain you that
- 12 at that time I was in -- was very shocked in the
- 13 sense that my brother who was 18 months older than
- 14 me had informed me early 2002 that he was going to
- 15 die --
- 16 Q. Ah.
- 17 A. of a stomach cancer. Indeed, he
- 18 died on July 13th.19 Q. I'm sorry.
- 20 A. So that really shocked me and I tried
- 21 to spend as much time as possible with him and his
- 22 family rather than than being on the job.

21 (Pages 78 to 81)

1	I'm sorry.	

- 2 O. All right.
- A. And it looks strange that I'm unable 3
- 4 to answer questions but that's what happened.
- Q. Not strange at all in the sense that
- 6 this is an email that contains certain documents
- 7 and, certainly, during that time, your -- your
- 8 attention obviously was elsewhere.
- A. Yeah, it would be --
- 10 Q. That's perfectly understandable.
- 11 A. - and I was taking care more.
- 12 MR. STEWART: Let me -- let me say
- 13 that we do not have the attachments which are
- 14 referenced in this email from Rosaline Joannesse
- 15 so I would ask that you contact the people at
- 16 Ethypharm that you need to see if we can get those 17 attachments.
- 18 THE WITNESS: It wouldn't be that 19 difficult.
- MR. BOSTWICK: It may be that they
- 21 were viewed as being attorney/client-privileged.
- 22 I'll check into it.

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- 1 we -- we -- we'd want that. And I think, if -- if
- 2 you can, I -- I -- I would ask that we get that in
- 3 time for Mr. Leduc's deposition.
 - MR. BOSTWICK: Sure. Yeah. I'll --
- 5 I'll --
- Do you have an extra sticky on -- on --7 I see there.
- MS. ABRUE: Sure. Would you like one 9 of these?
- 10 MR. BOSTWICK: Yeah. Thanks, Make a 11 note of it.
- BY MR. STEWART: 12.
- 13 O. At - At any - At some point past
- 14 the -- past March 21 of 2002 -- did you -- did you
- 15 become aware of what these two documents were?
- 16 A. Honestly, I don't remember.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Things were becoming increasingly
- 19 difficult, you know, so --
- Q. Sure. 20
- 21 A. - so it's -- I enjoyed having a
- 22 partner.

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- 1 MR. STEWART: Ah, all right.
- 2 MR. BOSTWICK: I'm not sure but given 3 the fact --
- MR. STEWART: Well, certainly --
- MR. BOSTWICK: -- the fact that it
- 6 seems to say, Here's-a-draft-type thing, it may
- 7 be -- or there may be revisions. I'll check into 8 it, though.
- MR. STEWART: But it's going -- It's 10 going to Herrera, though, Adolfo Herrera, so I
- 11 wouldn't think that -- that the -- that
- 12 attorney-client privilege would apply.
- MR. BOSTWICK: Oh. Oh, I see. It's 14 going to Herrera.
- 15 MR. STEWART: Right.
- 16 MR. BOSTWICK: Okay. Yeah, that
- 17 would -- that certainly wouldn't --
- 18 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- MR. BOSTWICK: That certainly wouldn't
- 20 be true. Maybe somebody made the same mistake I
- 21 just did. I'll check into it.
- 22 MR. STEWART: Yeah. Okay. Yeah,

- Page 85 Q. Following the February 21st, 2002
 - 2 meeting, did you have any conversations with Jim 3 Murphy?
 - 4 A. I think yes.
 - O. When did you have such conversations?
 - A. Unable to say when exactly. 6
 - 7 Q. Can you recall the substance of
 - 8 whatever conversation it was that you had?
 - A. I would say that -- confirmation by
 - 10 Jim Murphy -- that I would know how our trade
 - 11 secrets would be respected -- there would be
 - 12 absolutely no problem.
 - Q. Is that a conversation that you have a 14 specific memory of or a conversation that you
 - 15 believe that you must have had?
 - 16 A. No, it's a conversation I had. I'm
 - 17 unable to tell you exactly when but I had it.
 - Q. Okay. Was that in person or by 18 19 telephone?
 - 20 A. Telephone. Telephone.
 - 21 O. Did you call him or did he call you?
 - 22 A. Don't remember.

- Q. Where were you when you made the call?
- 2 A. I almost did not travel at that time
- 3 so -- from the office, most likely.
- 4 Q. In St. Cloud?
- 5 A. St. Cloud. St. Cloud.
- 6 Q. Do you remember where Jim Murphy was?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 MR. STEWART: Next document is a -- 9 email from Rosaline Joannesse, October 15, 2002.
- 10 (The reporter marked Exhibit 27.)
- 11 THE REPORTER: 27.
- 12 BY MR. STEWART:
- 13 Q. Mr. Debregeas, will you agree with me 14 that Exhibit 27 is an email to you from Rosaline 15 Joannesse?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And she apparent -- appears to have
- 18 attached a -- a press release from Bentley
- 19 Pharmaceuticals; correct?
- 20 A. Yes. She's forwarding me an email
- 21 received by her from Adolfo De Basilio which has
- 22 the communication. Yeah.

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- 1 compounds for enhanced delivery. Improved
- 2 delivery, improved absorption.
- 3 Q. Was Pfizer in the business of
- 4 manufacturing Omeprazole in Two Thousand -- in 5 October of 2002?
- A. Not to my knowledge.
- 7 MR. STEWART: All right. I'd now like 8 to go back and pick up a couple of things back in 9 1995 and 1997 and 1999.
- 10 THE REPORTER: 28.
- 11 (The reporter marked Exhibit 28.)
- 12 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 13 BY MR. STEWART:
- 14 Q. And, Mr. Debregeas, is this -- is that
- 15 your signature on page 3 of Exhibit 28?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. And this agreement is between
- 18 Belmac Corporation, One Urban Center, Suite 550,
- 19 Tampa, Florida and Ethypharm S.A. of Houdan,
- 20 France; correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And it is a confidentiality agreement;

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- 1 Q. Okay. What, if anything, did you do 2 upon receipt of this email from Miss Joannesse?
- 3 A. I don't think I had any special 4 reaction. I thought it was interesting.
- 5 Q. Had you requested that employees send 6 to you press releases from Bentley?
- 7 A. Not specifically but it's normal that
- 8 we we receive press release, you know. It's on
- 9 the Web, so I see the name of Bentley. It's 10 interesting.
- 11 Q. In the press release, if you turn to
- 12 page 8699, at the bottom of the press release, it
- 13 states, As part of the agreement -- As part of the 14 agreement Pfizer has access to Bentley's drug-
- 15 delivery platform through a research license.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Mm-hmm.
- Q. Did you have a understanding as to
- 19 what Bentley's drug-delivery platform was?
- 20 A. I think on the previous page -- Well, 21 on page 8699, it's mentioned, Bentley and Pfizer
- 22 would continue to evaluate certain Pfizer

1 correct?

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 O. Okay. Let me read to you the first
- 4 sentence on page 2 of the agreement. Belmac has
- 5 informed Ethypharm that Belmac is presently
- 6 examining the possibility of acquiring a U.S.
- 7 company which researches and develops transdermal 8 products.
- 9 Have I read that correctly?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. And you will agree with me that --
- 12 won't you that the Belmac that is referred to
- 13 is the U.S. corporation, Belmac Corporation;
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And that was prior to the time that
- 17 Belmac Corporation changed its name to Bentley;
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. At the time Oh, then, reading the
- 21 second the second paragraph the second
- 22 sentence on page 2: Ethypharm is interested in

23 (Pages 86 to 89)

- 1 considering a participation in the acquisition of 2 said company.
- 3 Have I read that correctly?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And do you remember the name of the 6 company that Belmac was examining the possibility
- 7 of acquiring and that Ethypharm was interested in?
- A. No, no.
- O. Okay. If I suggested that the name

10 was Conrex company of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania,

- 11 does that refresh your recollection?
- 12 A. No, it doesn't.
- 13 Q. If I suggested that the reason for the 14 interest was the acquisition of something known as 15 CPE215 technology -- would that refresh your 16 recollection?
- 17 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection....
- 18 THE WITNESS: No.
- 19 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Form.
- 20 MR. STEWART: Okay.
- 21 BY MR. STEWART:
- 22 Q. And you signed this agreement as

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- 1 technical information. This technical information
- 2 could be transmitted to us only assuming that we
- 3 would commit to keeping the confidentiality so
- 4 that's all what it is. There was no name of
- 5 product, nothing. It's --
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. There's nothing but the name of the 8 company, of the target for acquisition, involved 9 but we have bought several companies in the past 10 to buy technology so --
- 11 Q. Is it fair to say that this 12 confidentiality agreement had nothing to do with 13 Laboratorios Belmac?
- 14 A. I don't think that we have any reason 15 to say that or to say that it would have something 16 to do with Laboratorios Belmac. I don't know.
- MR. STEWART: Okay. Let's turn to 18 see here Turn back to January of 1997.
- Mark as the next exhibit, please, a 20 letter from Adolfo De Basilio to Clemente Gonzalez 21 dated January 20th, 1997.
- 22 THE REPORTER: 29.

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- 1 president of Ethypharm; correct?
- A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And Mr. Murphy signed the agreement as
- 4 president and chief executive officer of Belmac,
- 5 meaning Belmac Corporation; correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. Did this confidentiality
- 8 agreement have anything to do with the manufacture
- 9 of Omeprazole or other pharmaceutical products for 10 Ethypharm?
- 11 A. Can you repeat your question. I'm 12 sorry.
- Q. Did this confidentiality agreement
- 14 concern the manufacture by Laboratorios Belmac of
- 15 any pharmaceutical products for Ethypharm?
- 16 A. This is a confidentiality agreement.
- 17 We were supposed to receive confidential
- 18 information from Belmac regarding another company
- 19 which had developed a technology and Jim wanted to
- 20 know if we would be interested in joining
- 21 Belmac/Bentley in this acquisition. In order to
- 22 be aboard to give an answer, we had to have

- Page 93 (The reporter marked Exhibit 29.)
- 2 BY MR. STEWART:
- 3 Q. Mr. Debregeas, did you receive a copy
- 4 of Mr. De Basilio's letter or fax to Clemente
- 5 Gonzalez on or about January Twenty -- on or about
- 6 January 1st of 1997? I'm sorry. On or about
- 7 January 21st of 1997.
- 8 A. Most likely.
- 9 Q. Okay. Did you speak to -- Let me
- 10 withdraw that. If you'd take I'm I'm going
- 11 to be reading from the English translation that
- 12 Ethypharm's attorneys provided at a previous
- and the second s
- 13 deposition. And that translation says, at It 14 should be attached.
- 1+ bilouid bo dimenso.
- Do you have that translation attached?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. (Reading) We have been summoned
- 18 by our mother com -- company to take a decision 19 regarding the pending matters with Belmac and for
- 19 10 garding the penantig material and a second
- 20 the presentation of the 1997 budgets. After an
- 21 extended debate, we have reached the following
- 22 conclusions.

24 (Pages 90 to 93)

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1 And then the text continues.	1 MR. STEWART: Ah.
2 My question is: Did you speak to	2 MR. BOSTWICK: — where the — where
3 Mr. De Basilio with respect to a request that	3 the sentence is you've referred to in the letter.
4 Laboratorios Ethypharm contact Laboratorios Belmac	4 MR. STEWART: Yeah. In the
5 and instruct them to be in touch with their parent	5 translation, it's the second-to-the-last sentence
6 company?	6 on the bottom. And I think it's the
7 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection to the form	7 second-to-the-last sentence on page 6617.
8 of the question.	8 MR. BOSTWICK: "Rogamos"?
9 MR. STEWART: Yeah, that's a That's	9 MR. STEWART: "Rogamos transmitan
10 a little That's That's kind of a lengthy	10 estas."
11 question. Let me Let me withdraw that.	11 THE WITNESS: Well, we brought in a
12 Let me start over.	12 client, HMR, that That's Hoechst Marion Rousell
13 BY MR. STEWART:	13 which is a big U.S. company which intended to
14 Q. Mr. Debregeas, tell me: What	14 source some products from us from Zaragoza. And
15 involvement, if any, did you have with respect to	15 the audit conducted by them and by us showed that
16 Mr. De Basilio's request of Clemente Gonzalez?	16 all our instructions had not been respected, so
17 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Vague.	17 U.S U.S., You know, HMR Jim Murphy for
18 THE WITNESS: There are two main	18 it was important for Jim Murphy that we could get
19 points in this letter. One concerned the	19 this contract.
20 profitability; and, apparently, Belmac was	20 MR. STEWART: I see.
21 overcharging. And the other one concerns, more	21 BY MR. STEWART:
22 important, GMP, so it's normal that I was informed	22 Q. So H The The The "HMR" that
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1 and I took part in a the discussion, previous	1 is referred to is Hoechst —
2 discussion, which led to this letter.	2 A. Marion.
3 BY MR. STEWART:	3 Q Marion Roussel?
4 Q. So you had discussions with	4 A. Yes.
5 Mr. De Basilio regarding the topics contained in	5 Q. All right.
6 this letter?	6 A. Which later became Aventis.
7 A. Yes.	7 Q. Aventis, Okay.
8 Q. Yes. And given your previous	8 You wanted Jim Murphy to be involved
9 relationship with Jim Murphy, did you advise	9 in this issue; is that fair?
10 Mr. De Basilio that he should have Clemente	10 A. Of course, yes.
11 Gonzalez contact Belmac Corporation, the parent	11 (Mr. Stewart conferred with
12 company?	12 Ms. Abreu.)
13 A. I did not ask that, internal	13 MR. STEWART: I'm going to have marked
14 organization of Bentley/Belmac. And that's not	14 as the next exhibit a letter of January 27, 1997.
15 it's The way Bentley/Belmac is working is not	15 (The reporter marked Exhibit 30.)
16 my concern.	16 THE REPORTER: 30.
17 Q. Who Who decided that to request	17 MR. STEWART: Let me know when you've
18 Clemente Gonzalez as it says in the letter to	18 finished looking at the exhibit, please.
19 transmit these decisions to your mother company in	19 THE WITNESS: Okay.
20 the United States in the U.S.?	20 BY MR. STEWART:

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Q. Okay. And is this letter from Adolfo

 $22\,\mathrm{De}$ Basilio concerning the -- the audit from HMR?

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MR. BOSTWICK: It just -- It looks

22 like he's struggling in terms of --

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1 A. Yes, it's continuation. That's a	1 you dated January 28, 1997.
2 Continuing.	2 THE REPORTER: 31.
3 Q. Continuing the	3 (The reporter marked Exhibit 31.)
4 A. The previous.	4 BY MR. STEWART:
5 Q the earlier letter?	5 Q. And you're familiar with this letter,
6 A. Yes.	6 are you not?
7 MR. BOSTWICK: Just object to the	7 A. Mm-hmm. I've seen it for sure.
8 characterization as a letter that was sent if	8 Q. Okay.
9 that's what the	9 A. My initials are on it.
10 MR. STEWART: Okay. Well	10 QYeah. Would you translate what
11 MR. BOSTWICK: To the extent that your	11 what the writing is at the top of the page, of the
12 question assumes that.	12 page, 002450.
13 MR. STEWART: That's a good point.	13 A. The initials are "CD," Claude Dubois.
14 MR. BOSTWICK: I'll just object on	14 To. The arrow, to "EI," Eric Igonet. "RT."
15 foundation.	15 "RT." I don't remember who that is. Copy. And
16 MR. STEWART: Yeah.	16 there are my initials. Send back to Claude
17 BY MR. STEWART:	17 Dubois. "GL," Gerard Leduc. "PO," Pascal Oury.
18 Q. Do you know whether Yeah. I I	18 And AD "ADB," Adolfo De Basilio.
19 see that this letter from to Clemente	19 Q. Copies to those people?
20 Gonzalez I say letter. It looks like a fax	20 A. Yeah.
21 to Clemente Gonzalez from Adolfo De Basilio has a	21 Q. Okay. Okay.
22 fax Post-it going to Mr. Leduc, Mr. Dubois, and	In the second sentence of his letter
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1 and Mr and you?	1 to you, Mr. Murphy says, I am confused because
2 A. Mm-hmm.	2 ever since I assumed control of Laboratorios
3 Q. Was this letter to Clement	3 Belmac, I have received nothing but extremely
4 addressed to or this fax addressed to Clemente	4 positive comments from your Spanish staff,
5 Gonzalez sent by Mr. De Basilio?	5 specifically Senor Basilio, who said that the
6 A. I assume it was.	6 Belmac operation is now more efficient, more
7 Q. Whose Whose handwriting is that at	7 cooperative, more pleasant to work with. And
8 the top?	8 beyond this, he noted our high degree of sincerity
9 A. Me.	9 and integrity.
10 Q. That's you. What does What does	10 Have I read that that correctly,
11 what does it say?	11 sir?
12 A. "Seen." First line, "Seen." Second,	12 A. Mm-hmm.
13 my initials, PD, PD. "OK." And the arrow means	13 Q. All right. I assume that's a yes.

14 to be transferred to "CD." That's Claude Dubois.

15 Q. Okay. Why were you transferring this

16 to Claude Dubois? A. Well, Claude Dubois was the -- What?

18 Director of operations. Speaks perfect English.

19 I think with possible ears (phonetic).

MR. STEWART: Okay. And next I'm 21 going to show you a -- a letter that has been

22 marked before but it's a letter from Jim Murphy to

14 A: Yes.

Q. Okay. Now, at the time of this letter 15 16 in January of 1997, you had been aware that

17 Mr. Murphy had the title of president of

18 Laboratorios Belmac as well as his title of CEO 19 and chairman of Bentley or Belmac Corporation; 20 correct?

A. Correct. 21

Q. Okay. And if you take a look at 22

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Page 102 1 the -- the third paragraph, he makes the complaint 2 that Laboratorios Belmac has not received payment 3 from Ethypharm in the past year. Do you see that? A. Mm-hmm. O. And he says that: We have continued 6 to provide Ethypharm with product in a diligent 7 and highly professional manner. 8 And the "we" that he is referring to 9 there is Laboratorios Belmac; correct? 10 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. 11 THE WITNESS: Your question is 12 precisely what? I'm sorry. 13 MR. STEWART: Sure. 14 THE WITNESS: I got lost in the --15 MR. STEWART: Lost in the translation? 16 THE WITNESS: No, no, no, no, no. No. 17 BY MR. STEWART: 18 O. Now, the second -- It's the second 19 line of the third paragraph. He says, We have 20 continued to provide Ethypharm with product. 21 A. Mm-hmm. 22 Yes, and what is your question?

1 continued to provide Ethypharm with product," 2 Mr. Murphy is referring to its wholly-owned 3 subsidiary, Laboratorios Belmac? A. Not clear for me. He says "we." He 5 doesn't say Laboratorios Belmac has no deef 6 (phonetic) or -- not done that, you know. "We." 7 That's - That's an entity. That's a company, you 8 know. It's a -- headquartered in the U.S., I 9 agree with you, but it's Bentley Corporation. Q. All right. So you're saying that 11 when -- that you understood this "we" to mean --12 to mean what? MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Asked and 13 14 answered. 15 BY MR. STEWART: Q. What did you understand? we" to mean? 16 A. "We," the company, Bentley and its 17 18 subsidiary, the -- the -- Belmac. Why didn't he 19 write on their -- Belmac Laboratorios' --20 headline?

Q. You mean stationery?

A. Yeah.

Page 103 Q. And my question is: When - The 2 "we" -- The "we" that is referred to there is 3 Laboratorios Belmac; isn't that correct? MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Form. THE WITNESS: We, James Murphy, 6 chairman and CEO of Bentley Pharmaceuticals --7 Louis XIV was always saying "we."

3 4 5 6 7 8 Q. We've agreed, haven't we, that Bentley 10 Corporation has no manufacturing facilities and 10 11 was unable to provide Ethypharm with any product 11

14 apologize.

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Page 105 MR. STEWART: Maybe because he didn't 2 have any. MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. THE WITNESS: Sorry. MR. STEWART: Let's -- Let's --MR. BOSTWICK: I'm not --MR. STEWART: Let's move on. MR. BOSTWICK: I think maybe counsel's 9 strick -- counsel's answer should be stricken --MR. STEWART: I agree. MR. BOSTWICK: - from the record. MR. STEWART: I agree. Strike that 12 13 answer. Strike -- Strike that comment. I

13 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. 14 Objection. Recharacterization of 15 testimony. THE WITNESS: Honestly, I don't catch 17 your point.

BY MR. STEWART:

12 from its own facilities?

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18 BY MR. STEWART:

19 Q. Bentley or Belmac Corporation in the 20 U.S. had no manufacturing facilities; correct? 21 A. Correct.

22 Q. All right. So when he says, "We have 15 Okay. 16 BY MR. STEWART: O. On the second page of the letter, page 17 18 002451, Mr. Murphy says in the third paragraph, I 19 suggest we schedule a meeting in Madrid to discuss 20 the future of the relationship between our 21 organizations and on the agenda we will be 22 prepared to discuss.

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Page 106	Page 108 1 Have I read that correctly?
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2 A. Yes.	
3 Q. And the first point is: Arrangements	Q. And Ethypharm had its machinery in the
4 to receive payments that are long overdue.	4 Belmac facilities at Laboratorios Belmac in
5	5 Zaragoza, Spain; correct?
6 Do you see that?	6 A. Yes.
7 A. Mm-hmm. Yes.	7 Q. Okay. And then he suggests that the
8 Q. And these were payments that were owed	8 following people be in attendance at the very
9 from Ethypharm to Laboratorios Belmac for product	9 bottom. And from Lab Belmac, he lists Jim Murphy,
10 that was delivered by Laboratorios Belmac; is that	10 Clemente Gonzalez, Dr. Monterde, and Mateo Gasca;
11 correct?	11 correct?
12 A. These were payments that were due,	12 A. Yes.
13 yes, by Ethypharm. Ethypharm was late in paying.	13 Q. And was there anyone there that you
14 Q. And those payments were paid to Lab	14 recognize as being an employee of Belmac
15 Belmac in Zaragoza; correct?	15 Corporation U.S as it later became known,
16 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Form.	16 Bentley?
17 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Loss a	17 A. I would say Jim Murphy.
18 (phonetic) Madrid or don't know.	18 Q. And for Ethypharm, you and Adolfo
19 BY MR. STEWART:	19 Basilio?
20 Q. Those payments were never made to the	20 A. Yes.
21 United States, were they?	21 Q. Okay. Now, is it your understanding
22 A. The invoices were made in Spain so the	22 that Mr. Dubois had a meeting with Jim Murphy
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6 Murphy dated February 13th of 1997?
7 A. It's not mentioned that I receive it
8 but I must have received it.

5 you receive a copy of Mr. Dubois' letter to Jim

- 9 Q. And attached to Mr. Dubois's letter 10 there is a document that says, Audit of the 11 Ethypharm Production Site in Zaragoza.
- Do you see that?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. All right. Can you tell us what that

15 is?

16 A. That the report of audit of compliance
17 with Good Manufacturing Practices which has been
18 performed by Messieurs Marcelle Gavoille and -19 and No. 2, Pascal Fortani — De — De Fortani
20 auditing the production site in Zaragoza. And
21 this audit was only calling to the EEC GMP — That

- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 The -- The second paragraph under 2.1
- 7 says: Control of starting materials, intermediate 8 product, and finished products.
- 9 A. Mm-hmm.
- 10 Q. There are no official Ethypharm
- 11 documents, parenthetical, critical defect. The
- 12 documents used are Belmac documents with UQUIFA
- 13 methods and specifications.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 A. Mm-hmm.
- 16 Q. And did that come to your attention in
- 17 February of 1997 or -- in or around -- in this --
- 18 in this time period in late -- in December of 1996
- 19 or in early 1997?
- 20 A. There were official Ethypharm
- 21 documents but they were not present in the
- 22 facility where they were -- they were supposed to

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1 applicable in the EEC, European Economic

22 means Good Manufacturing Practice currently

- 2 Community.
- 3 Q. Was this audit done after the HMR
- 4 visit?
- 5 A. I don't know. This has to be checked.
- 6 Would probably think that it was done before the 7 visit of HMR.
- 8 Q. If you'd take a look at the document,
- 9 the first page of -- Sorry -- the second page of
- 10 the audit, EP 004679. Let me know when you've
- 11 had -- when you've had -- Do you have it?
- 12 A. 4679?
- 13 O. 4679.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. The paragraph 2.1, Technical
- 16 Documentation on H -- on MHB. Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What does "MHB" stand for?
- 19 A. The code name for Omeprazole.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. You see it sometimes in the file,
- 22 "MHB."

- 1 be at the point.
- 2 Q. Mm-hmm.
- 3 A. Certain number of procedures, I
- 4 remember, were found in a box in the storage room,
- 5 documents that should be in the manufacturing
- 6 room, in the QC lab.
- 7 Q. And whose whose fault was that?
- 8 Was that Ethypharm's fault or was that
- 9 Laboratorios Belmac's fault?
- 10 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Form.
- 11 THE WITNESS: It was the fault of
- 12 Belmac.
- 13 BY MR. STEWART:
- 14 Q. Why do you say that?
- 15 A. Because they had all the document,
- 16 they had all the instructions, they'd been
- 17 trained, and they had to respect Spanish
- 18 pharmaceutical law.
- 19 Q. They had in -- respect what?
- 20 A. The Spanish pharmaceutical law.
- 21 At that point, too, one and the same
- 22 person is in charge of manufacture and control.

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1 Do you see the critical defect? There is a	1 Have I read that portion correctly?
2 production department, there is a QC department,	2 A. Yes, sir.
3 each of them headed by competent people. And,	3 Q. And did that meeting take place
4 apparently, only Dr. Mateo Gasca in charge of both	4 between Mr. Dubois and Mr. Clemente Gonzalez and
5 manufacture and control.	5 others I'm sorry and others?
6 MR. STEWART: Let's turn to the next	6 A. Don't remember.
7 document. Okay. A Looks like a draft fax	7 Q. Did you attend that meeting?
8 dated April dated April 8th of 1997.	8 A. Don't remember — but is good. This
9 THE REPORTER: 33.	9 letter, it shows that Jim is taking care of the
10 THE WITNESS: Thank you.	10 business. It's good.
11 (The reporter marked Exhibit 33.)	MR. STEWART: Let's go off the record
12 BY MR. STEWART:	12 just for a couple moments.
13 Q. Mr. Debregeas; can you identify the	13 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is
14 handwriting that appears on Exhibit 33?	14 13:13:36. Off the record.
15 A. Yes.	15 (Recess.)
16 Q. Who is that? Whose is it that?	16 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This ends Tape
17 A. Eric Igonet	17 No. 2 of Volume II of the Debregeas deposition.
18 Q. Did you receive a copy of this	18 The time is 13:50:19. Off the record.
19 document?	19 (The recess continued.)
20 A. No specific	20 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: On the record with
21 THE INTERPRETER: Recollection.	21 Tape No. 3 of Volume II of the testimony of
22 THE WITNESS: Recollection.	22 Patrice Debregeas in the matter of Ethypharm
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- 2 Q. And in the letter you are requesting
- 3 Mr. Murphy to, as you put it, remind your Spanish
- 4 subsidiary of its obligations so that our two
- 5 companies can work together in an appropriate
- 6 spirit of cooperation. Correct?
- 7 Yes?

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- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. All right. And in your letter you do 10 not accuse Mr. Murphy of placing the articles or 11 the advertisements; is that so?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did you have any in Was there any 14 information that you had that Mr. Murphy 15 instructed Belmac to place those articles or 16 advertisements?
- 17 A. Not at all.
- 18 MR. BOSTWICK: Can we just clarify
- 19 that that's at the time of this letter? At --
- 20 MR. STEWART: Yeah. Yeah.21 THE WITNESS: Mm-hmm.
- 22 MR. STEWART: I'm sorry?

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- 2 Mr. Patrice Debregeas. Actually, you know what?
- 3 Let's see Do I Yeah. That's what I want.
- 4 Ah. April 9th. So if we can have the next 5 exhibit marked as 36.
- 6 THE REPORTER: Yes.
- 7 (The reporter marked Exhibit 36.)
- 8 BY MR. STEWART:
- 9 Q. Okay. Have you -- Have you had a 10 chance to review Exhibit 36?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, not all of it. I read the
- 12 first page and the second page too, quickly.
- 13 Q. In Mr. Murphy's -- First, do you 14 recognize the handwriting at the top, Dr. Clemente
- 15 A. Herrera?
- 16 A. No.17 O. Okay. In his letter, Mr. Murphy says,
- 18 I have received your letter concerning reference 19 to Ethypharm technology and understand your 20 concerns.
- 21 He then goes on to say, To refresh
- 22 your memory, extending back many years ago to

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- THE INTERPRETER: Oh. I just recited
- 2 that it was --
- 3 MR. STEWART: I see.
- 4 THE INTERPRETER: -- at the time of 5 the letter.
- 6 BY MR. STEWART:
- 7 Q. And to your knowledge, did anyone at 8 Bentley, in the United States, instruct Belmac to
- 9 author the articles or advertisements?
- 10 A. This never -- This never came to my 11 mind.
- 12 Q. Do you have any information today as 13 you -- as you sit in this room to indicate or to 14 suggest to you that Mr. Murphy instructed Belmac
- 15 to place these advertisements or articles?
- 16 A. No, none at all.
- 17 Q. Do you And, similarly, do you have 18 any information to suggest that any other person 19 at Bentley in the United States instructed Belmac 20 to place these articles or advertisements?
- A. No, not at all.
- 22 MR. STEWART: If we can mark as the

Page 125 1 1995, I wanted to publicly announce the

- 2 relationship between our organizations by way of a
- 3 press release and a promotional program but your 4 company did not want us to mention Ethypharm.
- 5 Do you recall the -- Do you recall
- 6 that Mr. Murphy, in 1995, had wanted to announce 7 the relationship between Ethypharm and --
- 8 A. I think -- I think I remember.
- 9 O. Explain to me if you would what --
- 10 Explain to me what you recall regarding
- 11 Mr. Murphy's desire to announce a collaboration
- 12 between Ethypharm and Belmac Corporation.
- A. Bentley or Belmac Corporation at that
- 14 time was a -- I think -- a public company so they
- 15 had to communicate in order to be able to raise 16 money, be able to appear on the financial
- 17 information.
- 18 Ethypharm is a private company. We 19 intended in -- at the end of second quarter, 2001,
- 20 to become a public company, to do an IPO, so
- 21 communication is an extremely important point. It
- 22 can be positive; it can be negative. And it has

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1 are GRAS (Generally Recognized As Safe) excipients 2 that enhance the permeability of drugs	2 14:35:01. Off the record.
3 administered through skin, across mucosa, through	3 (Recess.)
4 the cornea or the blood-brain barrier in a variety	4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: On the record. The
5 of independent pharmaceutical formats.	5 time is 14:36:22.
6 That's what is written at page 002814;	6 MR. STEWART: Marked as the next
7 correct?	7 exhibit documents beginning with 009105, Belmac
8 A. Mm-hmm.	8 Lab - Laboratorios Belmac S.A. presentation.
9 Q. Now, Laboratorios Belmac, would you	9 THE REPORTER: 37.
10 agree with me, was not involved in the acquisition	10 (The reporter marked Exhibit 37.)
11 of proprietary permeation-excipient technology?	11 MR. STEWART: Oh, you know what? I
12 MR. BOSTWICK: Objection. Foundation.	12 handed over my stapled copy. Here. Can we
13 THE WITNESS: Do you know this page	13 Let's see. Yeah. Just
14 I don't see the name Belmac. I — We have it	14 Okay. I think by agreement we're going
15 here.	15 to remove When you make up the final exhibits,
16 MR. STEWART: No. I'm asking you the	16 I think you're going to wind up removing the
17 question based on your knowledge of Laboratorios	17 translation. Isn't that what we agreed to do?
18 Belmac.	18 MR. BOSTWICK: Yeah. I mean, if you
19 THE WITNESS: I have I have no	19 want to just tear it off right now
20 knowledge of that.	20 MR. STEWART: Yeah. Okay.
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22 Q. The business, is it – The business of	22 MR. STEWART: All right. Just do
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20 A. No.

21 MR. STEWART: That's all I have at 22 this time.

35 (Pages 134 to 137)

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